

COUNTY OF TULARE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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Chairman of the Board

August 10, 2012

California Department of Water Resources
Division of Integrated Regional Water Management
Financial Assistance Branch
Attention: Joe Yun
PO Box 942836
Sacramento, CA 94236-001

Dear Mr. Yun,

This letter is to confirm that Tulare County (County) supports the Draft Funding Recommendations for Round Two of the Proposition 84 Integrated Regional Water Management Planning Grants for Kaweah Delta Water Conservation District to receive \$235,254 for their proposal. However, the County respectfully requests a re-evaluation of Sequoia Riverlands Trust's application and requests DWR consider recommending the full grant request in the amount of \$610,738.

The County supports the Kaweah and Southern Sierra IRWMP groups in their effort to engage in strategic evaluation and development of specific projects and implementable plans within their Regions to address challenges for regional water supply through their proposed workplans. The County values the long-term partnership in regional water planning efforts with these groups. With the depressed economic conditions of the State of California, the insecurity of state and local grant funds, and the ever growing challenges to local water supplies in the area, efforts like this one will help to secure long-term viability for local water resources well into the future.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me regarding this information.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Allen Ishida", is written over a faint, circular official stamp.

Allen Ishida, Chairman
Tulare County Board of Supervisors